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COMPRISING GRAINS OF METAL-

HYDROXIDE PARTICLES

Examiner: J. W. Taylor

## **RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 14, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1-6, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. Applicants submit herewith: (i) an Amendment Fee Transmittal Sheet, (ii) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and (iii) a request for a three-month extension of time to extend the time for response to April 14, 2009, with the required fees. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the required fees and/or to credit any refund owed to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.